



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of : Date: June 5, 2009
CHU et al. : Docket: W9643-02
Serial No. 10/564,842 : Art Unit: 1793
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For: Abrasive Particles for Chemical Mechanical Polishing

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Dear Sir:

Further to the Notice of Appeal filed January 7, 2009, Applicants hereby file a Request for Continued Examination, the period for response having been extended three (3) months to June 7, 2009, in view of the enclosed Request for Extension of Time and the authorization to charge Deposit Account No. 07-1770 is attached hereto.

Applicants request that the outstanding rejections be reconsidered in view of the Amendments and Remarks that follow.

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.8

Pursuant to 37 CFR §1.8, I hereby certify that I have a reasonable basis to expect that this correspondence will be deposited with the United States Postal Service on or before the date indicated, as First Class mail, in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA, 22313-1450.

6-5-09
Date

Kim Sauter-Bray
Signature

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing set forth on page 3 of this document.

Remarks may be found on page 7 of this document.